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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: GOG EXPRESSES CONCERN OVER GO REFERENCES TO  
FEDERAL SOLUTION FOR CYPRUS

1. GREEK CHARGE NOMIKOS CALLED ON DEPUTY ASSISTANT  
SECRETARY DAVIES UNDER INSTRUCTIONS ON FEBRUARY 6 TO  
EXPRESS GOG CONCERN OVER RECENT TURKISH REFERENCES TO  
"FEDERAL SOLUTION" FOR CYPRUS. NOMIKOS CLAIMED THAT SUCH  
REFERENCES CONSTITUTED A NEW ELEMENT IN THE SITUATION AND  
REQUESTED THAT THE USG EXERCISE ITS INFLUENCE ON ANKARA TO  
AVOID DEMANDS WHICH RISK A BREAKDOWN OF THE LOCAL TALKS.

2. DAVIES REPLIED, INTER ALIA, THAT THE US HAD INFORMALLY  
DISCUSSED THIS MATTER WITH THE GOT AND HAD RECEIVED FIRM  
ASSURANCES THAT THE PROTOCOL SUPPORTING A "FEDERAL  
SOLUTION" FOR CYPRUS DOES NOT REPRESENT OR PRESAGE ANY  
CHANGE IN THE GOT'S CYPRUS POLICY. HE ALSO OBSERVED

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THAT THERE IN FACT APPEARED TO BE A SOFTENING OF GOT VIEWS

RELATIVE TO EARLIER STATEMENTS ON CYPRUS, THAT THE  
"FEDERAL SOLUTION" WAS A MAXIMUM BARGAINING POSITION RATHER  
THAN AN OUTRIGHT DEMAND, AND THAT GOT SUPPORT FOR SOME  
KIND OF "FEDERAL SOLUTION" REFLECTING WHAT IT FEELS IS THE  
"BICOMMUNAL NATURE" OF CYPRUS IS A LONG-HELD POSITION  
WHICH SHOULD COME AS NO SURPRISE TO THE GREEKS. FINALLY,  
DAVIES EXPLAINED, THE USG COULD NOT AND WOULD NOT TAKE

SIDES ON ISSUES OF WORDING OR SUBSTANCE. WERE IT TO DO  
SO, ITS ABILITY TO PLAY A "GOOD OFFICES" ROLE WOULD BE  
FINISHED.

3. NOMIKOS WAS SURPRISED BUT PLEASED TO LEARN THAT WE  
HAD ALREADY APPROACHED GOT IN THIS MATTER. HE TERMED  
TURKISH ASSURANCES THAT GOT POLICY AND SUPPORT FOR LOCAL  
TALKS REMAINED UNCHANGED "GOOD NEWS" AND SAID IT WAS  
"REASSURING" THAT TURKS WERE NOT POSING A NEW AND  
INFLEXIBLE DEMAND. KISSINGER

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